

The Institute of Biological Engineering Announces the 2008-2009 **Bioethics Essay Contest** for students

Submit a 1000 to 1200 word, original essay on the bioethics topic below by October 15, 2008, to be part of this year's contest. Five semifinalists will be selected by January 7, 2009, and will be notified. All semifinalists will be given complimentary registration to the 2009 annual meeting of the Institute of Biological Engineering to be held March 19-22, in Santa Clara, CA. At the 2009 IBE meeting, the semifinalists will read their essays, and the finalists will be selected. Cash awards are \$150 for first place, \$100 for second place, and \$75 for third place. The first place essay will be considered for publication in the *Journal of Biological Engineering*, the official journal of IBE.

Entries should be submitted in Word or PDF format to the following email address: essay@ibe.org Undergraduate and graduate students may apply. By submitting, you are agreeing to attend the 2009 meeting and provide your own travel expenses if you are selected as a semifinalist (complimentary conference registration will be provided for the five semifinalists). Please include your essay title, your full name, your program of study and degree that you are seeking, and your complete mailing address.

ESSAY TOPIC: Write a 1000 to 1200 word bioethics essay that addresses the following question: **“Does the field of Biological Engineering need its own code of ethics?”** *If yes, what should they be? If no, why not?*

Entries will be submitted to a plagiarism-checking service. IBE reserves the right to disqualify any entry judged as non-original or any entry over 1200 words. All winning essays will become the property of IBE. IBE is not responsible for any possible difficulties in submission. Only winners will be notified of results.

Register for the 2009 IBE annual meeting at: www.ibe.org

Registration for the meeting will open in mid-October.

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